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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR: Foley DATE TYPED: 2/26/02 HB 902

SHORT TITLE: ENMU Workload & Staffing Project SB _____

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APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY03	FY04	FY03	FY04		
	\$50.0			Recurring	GF

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to Appropriation for Eastern New Mexico University in the General Appropriation Act

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Responses Received From

Commission on Higher Education (CHE)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 902 appropriates \$50.0 from the general fund to the Board of Regents of Eastern New Mexico University (ENMU) for a workload and staffing project at the Roswell campus.

Significant Issues

A request was not included in Eastern New Mexico University's budget request to the Eastern New Mexico University Board of Regents, and thus was not included in the list of priority projects submitted by Eastern New Mexico University to the Commission on Higher Education for review.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$50.0 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2004 shall revert to the general fund.

AMENDMENTS

The CHE suggests adding the following language for all new recurring higher education programs (assuming that funding will continue beyond 2003-2004):

“A plan for a program evaluation, including specific program goals and criteria for assessing program effectiveness, shall be submitted to the Legislative Finance Committee and the Commission on Higher Education by October 1, 2004. An assessment of the program will be completed prior to June 30, 2005, and submitted to the Legislative Finance Committee and the Commission on Higher Education.”

POSSIBLE QUESTIONS

1. What types of activities will be funded by this bill?
2. Why is an appropriation necessary?
3. Shouldn't the University be doing this periodically a good management tool?

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